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IN RE APPLICATION OF :

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: GROUP ART UNIT: 2828

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: EXAMINER: FLORES RUIZ, DELMA R.

FOR: SEMICONDUCTOR OPTICAL
DEVICE AND METHOD FOR
FABRICATING SAME

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Official Action mailed February 26, 2003, Applicants elect without traverse Group II, Claims 12-16 drawn to method of fabricating monolithic semiconductor optical device for further examination on the merits in the present application.

Therefore, examination on the merits of Claims 12-16 is believed to be in order, and an early and favorable action to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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